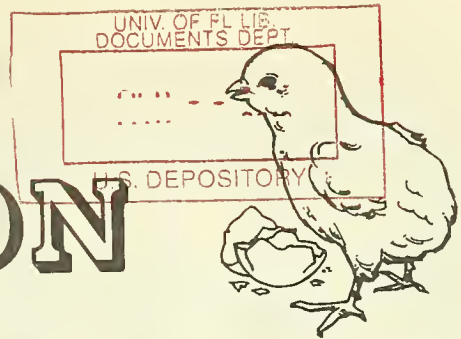


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HATCHERY PRODUCTION



APRIL 1963

May 17, 1963

Chicks Hatched

Hatcheries in the United States produced 309,837,000 chicks during April--2 percent more than in April 1962 according to the Crop Reporting Board. The number of broiler chicks hatched was 214,879,000, an increase of 3 percent from April last year. During the first 4 months of 1963 there were 758,106,000 broiler chicks produced--down 1 percent from comparable months in 1962. Compared with a year earlier, the number of eggs in incubators on May 1 indicate that the hatch of broiler chicks in May this year will be larger than in May last year and the largest of record.

There were 94,958,000 egg-type chicks hatched in April--2 percent less than in April last year and the smallest April hatch since records began in 1955. The number hatched during April was down 13 percent in the Mountain States, 12 percent in the New England States, 6 percent in the Mid-Atlantic, East North Central and Pacific Coast States and 3 percent in the West North Central States. The number hatched increased 22 percent in the South Atlantic States, 9 percent in the West South Central States, and 6 percent in the East South Central States. The number of egg-type chicks hatched during the months January through April of this year was 239,192,000--down 2 percent from the same period in 1962. Decreases from a year earlier were 16 percent in the Mountain States, 7 percent in the New England and West North Central States, 6 percent in the East North Central and Pacific Coast States, and 3 percent in the Mid-Atlantic States. Increases were 22 percent in the South Atlantic States, 6 percent in the West South Central States, and 3 percent in the East South Central States. The number of eggs in incubators on May 1, compared with a year earlier, indicate that the egg-type hatch in May will be about the same as in May 1962.

Poults Hatched

The number of heavy breed poults hatched during April totaled 19,233,000--down 1 percent from April 1962. The hatch of heavy white breeds at 5,747,000 was 8 percent more than in April 1962. Other heavy breed poults hatched (mostly broad breasted bronze) totaled 13,486,000, down 5 percent from April last year. Production of light breed poults totaled 912,000 - down 1 percent from April 1962.

During the months January through April of this year the hatch of turkey poults was 47,698,000, an increase of 6 percent from these months in 1962. The cumulative hatch of heavy white breeds was 14,827,000, an increase of 9 percent from this period a year earlier; other heavy breeds was 29,965,000, an increase of 4 percent; and light breeds at 2,906,000, was up 14 percent. The number of turkey eggs in incubators on May 1, compared with May 1 last year indicates that the hatch of heavy white breeds in May will be smaller than in May last year. The hatches of other heavy breeds and light breeds also will be smaller. The number of heavy white breed eggs in incubators on May 1 was down about 5 percent from May 1 last year. The number of other heavy breed eggs was down 6 percent and the number of light breed eggs was down 3 percent.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Broiler-type				Egg-type	
	April		Jan. through April		April	
	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	5,328	5,778	20,894	21,558	421	505
N.H.	1,131	1,028	4,495	4,047	433	294
Vt.	0	4	0	13	67	72
Mass. & R.I. 1/	859	1,087	3,085	4,020	1,536	1,365
Conn.	2,273	1,903	8,380	6,739	1,258	1,026
N.E.	9,591	9,800	36,854	36,377	3,715	3,262
N.Y.	385	230	1,495	795	2,260	2,350
N.J.	266	187	850	683	1,830	1,580
Pa.	4,308	4,433	16,774	16,359	5,063	4,665
M.A.	4,959	4,850	19,119	17,837	9,153	8,595
Ohio	1,140	1,345	4,060	3,745	5,040	4,486
Ind.	4,641	3,719	17,791	12,703	4,671	4,512
Ill.	611	300	1,980	793	5,488	5,400
Mich.	640	490	2,370	1,920	1,960	1,700
Wis.	1,136	1,095	4,390	3,995	2,468	2,380
E.N.C.	8,168	6,949	30,591	23,156	19,627	18,478
Minn.	1,057	1,200	3,937	4,187	8,477	8,000
Iowa	450	485	1,390	1,675	13,230	12,900
Mo.	6,251	6,423	24,464	22,994	4,560	4,283
N.Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	789	950
S.Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	3,610	3,630
Nebr.	279	258	614	581	4,809	4,644
Kans.	325	300	1,158	860	2,339	2,200
W.N.C.	2/8,501	2/8,776	2/31,753	2/30,437	37,814	36,607
Del.	6,874	7,547	27,072	28,088	3/	3/
Md.	11,114	12,720	42,834	47,511	251	400
Va.	7,598	6,713	27,406	22,491	1,194	1,073
W.Va.	494	446	1,902	1,377	3/	3/
N.C.	19,822	20,790	72,275	74,005	1,398	1,627
S.C.	2,181	1,940	7,775	6,912	960	1,023
Ga.	37,761	38,640	140,727	135,369	2,040	2,761
Fla.	2,059	1,717	7,993	6,214	1,602	2,216
S.A.	87,903	90,513	327,984	321,967	3/7,582	3/9,261
Ky.	665	455	1,975	1,955	570	510
Tenn.	4,210	4,150	14,910	14,100	1,255	1,180
Ala.	20,388	23,312	73,295	79,970	1,045	1,011
Miss.	14,188	14,422	50,388	51,667	682	1,079
E.S.C.	39,451	42,339	140,568	147,692	3,552	3,780
Ark.	22,884	23,743	82,435	82,211	908	1,223
La.	2,128	2,871	7,953	9,840	382	306
Okla.	910	946	3,402	3,356	832	900
Texas	13,735	14,503	46,105	49,277	3,186	3,341
W.S.C.	39,657	42,063	139,895	144,684	5,308	5,770
Idaho	395	465	1,604	1,640	361	276
Colo.	50	53	113	100	428	377
Utah	191	178	690	675	238	239
Mount.	4/ 707	4/ 725	4/ 2,628	4/2,566	4/1,570	4/1,360
Wash.	1,568	1,622	5,562	5,895	1,209	1,302
Oreg.	1,489	1,140	5,214	4,013	469	478
Calif.	6,162	5,985	23,205	23,035	6,583	5,969
Pac.	9,219	8,747	33,981	32,943	8,261	7,749
48 States	208,156	214,763	763,373	757,659	96,582	94,862
Hawaii	113	116	415	447	114	96
U. S.	208,269	214,879	763,788	758,106	96,696	94,958

1/ Massachusetts and Rhode Island combined - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ To avoid disclosing individual operations - West North Central total includes North and South Dakota. 3/ South Atlantic total includes Delaware and West Virginia. 4/ Mountain total includes Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico, and Arizona.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Egg-type		T o t a l				
	Jan. through Apr.		April				
	1962	1963	Average 1957-61	1962	1963	1962	1963
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	1,566	1,730	5,627	5,749	6,283	22,460	23,288
N.H.	1,496	1,253	1,933	1,564	1,322	5,991	5,300
Vt.	210	196	94	67	76	210	209
Mass. & R.I. 1/	4,827	4,183	3,351	2,395	2,452	7,912	8,203
Conn.	3,998	3,922	4,745	3,531	2,929	12,378	10,661
N.E.	12,097	11,284	15,749	13,306	13,062	48,951	47,661
N.Y.	6,590	6,840	3,243	2,645	2,580	8,085	7,635
N.J.	6,700	5,630	3,894	2,096	1,767	7,550	6,313
Pa.	14,401	14,496	10,346	9,371	9,098	31,175	30,855
M.A.	27,691	26,966	17,483	14,112	13,445	46,810	44,803
Ohio	12,120	11,286	7,446	6,180	5,831	16,180	15,031
Ind.	11,762	11,316	12,414	9,312	8,231	29,553	24,019
Ill.	12,551	11,496	8,840	6,099	5,700	14,531	12,289
Mich.	5,450	5,450	3,104	2,600	2,190	7,820	7,370
Wis.	4,966	4,690	5,273	3,604	3,475	9,356	8,685
E.N.C.	46,849	44,238	37,077	27,795	25,427	77,440	67,394
Minn.	15,805	14,260	13,421	9,544	9,200	19,742	18,447
Iowa	21,670	20,290	18,384	13,680	13,385	23,060	21,965
Mo.	9,206	8,270	12,779	10,811	10,706	33,670	31,264
N.Dak.	1,128	1,284	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
S.Dak.	6,160	5,870	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	9,234	8,532	5,986	5,088	4,902	9,848	9,113
Kans.	4,795	4,465	3,925	2,664	2,500	5,953	5,325
W.N.C.	67,998	62,971	2/60,397	2/46,315	2/45,383	2/99,751	2/93,408
Del.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
Md.	722	941	9,946	11,365	13,120	43,556	48,452
Va.	3,135	3,223	8,666	8,792	7,786	30,541	25,714
W.Va.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
N.C.	4,579	5,250	14,857	21,220	22,417	76,854	79,255
S.C.	3,061	3,127	2,460	3,141	2,963	10,836	10,039
Ga.	6,794	9,562	32,435	39,801	41,401	147,521	144,931
Fla.	5,335	6,963	2,950	3,661	3,933	13,328	13,177
S.A.	3/24,033	3/29,385	3/79,395	3/95,485	3/99,774	3/352,017	3/351,353
Ky.	1,550	1,594	2,349	1,235	965	3,525	3,549
Tenn.	3,800	3,780	5,002	5,465	5,330	18,710	17,880
Ala.	3,356	3,422	15,136	21,433	24,323	76,651	83,392
Miss.	3,027	3,330	10,150	14,870	15,501	53,415	54,997
E.S.C.	11,733	12,126	32,637	43,003	46,119	152,301	159,818
Ark.	2,565	4,486	14,769	23,792	24,966	85,000	86,697
La.	912	915	2,202	2,510	3,177	8,865	10,755
Okla.	2,298	2,239	2,022	1,742	1,846	5,700	5,595
Texas	11,402	10,642	13,997	16,921	17,844	57,507	59,919
W.S.C.	17,177	18,282	32,989	44,965	47,833	157,072	162,966
Idaho	921	843	825	756	741	2,525	2,483
Colo.	1,237	1,076	688	478	430	1,350	1,176
Utah	1,071	907	581	429	417	1,761	1,582
Mount.	4/ 4,950	4/ 4,177	4/ 2,899	4/2,277	4/2,036	4/ 7,578	4/6,743
Wash.	4,525	4,392	2,624	2,777	2,924	10,087	10,287
Oreg.	1,558	1,535	2,184	1,958	1,618	6,772	5,548
Calif.	25,004	23,446	10,516	12,745	11,954	48,209	46,481
Pac.	31,037	29,373	15,325	17,480	16,496	65,068	62,316
48 States	243,615	238,803	293,951	304,738	309,625	1,006,988	996,462
Hawaii	427	389	183	227	212	842	836
U. S.	244,042	239,192	294,134	304,965	309,837	1,007,830	997,298

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Baby chicks and turkey poults: Average prices paid to commercial hatcheries, April 1, 1963

State and division	Baby chicks, per 100			Turkey poults, each		
	Broiler	Egg-type pullets		Heavy breeds		Light
	breeds	Pure	Incross breeds	White	Other	breeds
	straight run	breeds	(hybrids)			
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.
Maine	1/ 12.5	32.0	---	---	---	---
N.H.	12.5	33.0	40.0	80	---	---
Vt.	13.5	32.0	---	---	---	---
Mass.	12.5	34.5	42.0	80	90	---
R.I.	12.5	32.5	---	---	---	---
Conn.	1/ 12.0	32.0	42.0	75	90	---
N.E.	12.4	33.1	41.7	77.3	90.0	---
N.Y.	12.0	38.0	53.0	80	86	---
N.J.	14.0	35.5	47.5	85	90	---
Pa.	1/ 13.0	37.0	48.5	1/ 70	1/ 80	1/ 55
M.A.	13.0	37.0	48.7	75.3	82.1	---
Ohio	12.0	37.0	56.0	66	64	50
Ind.	12.5	36.5	53.0	66	67	---
Ill.	1/ 15.0	38.0	52.0	70	70	58
Mich.	1/ 13.5	36.5	52.0	65	65	50
Wis.	12.5	39.0	53.0	52	64	---
E.N.C.	12.6	37.4	52.9	61.4	65.7	50.2
Minn.	11.5	41.0	55.0	1/ 54	1/ 60	1/ 42
Iowa	10.5	38.0	56.0	1/ 62	1/ 65	1/ 41
Mo.	1/ 9.4	26.0	55.0	1/ 66	1/ 66	1/ 45
N.Dak.	17.5	36.0	49.5	65	65	---
S.Dak.	17.5	36.0	51.0	51	65	---
Nebr.	17.0	35.5	51.0	65	66	---
Kans.	11.0	35.0	54.0	65	65	---
W.N.C.	10.1	36.7	54.2	57.5	63.2	42.3
Del.	1/ 11.6	---	---	---	---	---
Md.	1/ 11.6	40.0	55.0	---	---	---
Va. 1/	11.0	41.0	56.0	68	65	42
W.Va.	1/ 11.5	---	---	---	---	---
N.C.	1/ 10.3	34.0	55.0	65	59	---
S.C. 1/	10.5	35.0	---	70	65	---
Ga.	1/ 10.1	31.5	55.0	63	64	---
Fla.	1/ 11.0	39.0	47.0	---	65	45
S.A.	10.6	35.7	54.9	66.8	61.1	42.5
Ky.	10.5	36.0	52.0	---	---	---
Tenn.	11.0	33.0	44.0	---	---	---
Ala.	1/ 9.7	36.0	42.0	---	70	55
Miss.	1/ 10.0	34.0	46.0	---	65	---
E.S.C.	9.9	34.5	46.3	---	67.8	---
Ark.	1/ 9.5	37.0	46.0	65	60	50
La.	1/ 11.5	37.5	---	---	---	---
Okla.	12.0	31.5	51.0	60	63	45
Texas	1/ 10.0	32.0	49.5	1/ 57	1/ 60	---
W.S.C.	9.9	33.2	48.9	58.7	60.5	47.9
Mont.	20.0	40.5	48.0	---	---	---
Idaho	13.5	41.0	56.0	65	65	---
Colo.	16.0	38.0	53.0	64	60	---
Ariz.	18.0	44.0	47.5	60	60	---
Utah	12.5	35.5	46.0	---	---	---
Mount.	13.9	39.3	49.8	64.3	61.0	---
Wash. 1/	13.0	39.5	40.0	---	---	---
Oreg. 1/	13.0	37.0	41.0	52	58	48
Calif. 1/	13.0	33.0	45.0	52	52	---
Hawaii	23.3	49.6	---	---	---	---
Pac.	13.6	34.9	44.0	52.0	53.1	---
U.S.	10.6	36.1	51.8	59.7	60.5	44.4

1/ As of the 15th of the month.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States 1/

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1962	1963	Change from:	1962	1963	Change from	
			last year			last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Percent	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Percent
<u>Broiler-type</u>							
January	177,386	174,990	- 1	177,386	174,990	- 2,396	- 1
February	168,973	168,431	---	346,359	343,421	- 2,938	- 1
March	209,160	199,806	- 4	555,519	543,227	-12,292	- 2
April	208,269	214,879	+ 3	763,788	758,106	- 5,682	- 1
May	210,002			973,790			
June	192,476			1,166,266			
July	185,702			1,351,968			
August	173,400			1,525,368			
September	160,829			1,686,197			
October	168,927			1,855,124			
November	170,725			2,025,849			
December	171,427			2,197,276			
<u>Egg-type</u>							
January	28,339	31,302	+ 10	28,339	31,302	+ 2,963	+ 10
February	40,304	41,731	+ 4	68,643	73,033	+ 4,390	+ 6
March	78,703	71,201	- 10	147,346	144,234	- 3,112	- 2
April	96,696	94,958	- 2	244,042	239,192	- 4,850	- 2
May	83,567			327,609			
June	38,920			366,529			
July	24,437			390,966			
August	21,879			412,845			
September	21,739			434,584			
October	24,577			459,161			
November	21,795			480,956			
December	21,017			501,973			
<u>Total chicks</u>							
January	205,725	206,292	---	205,725	206,292	+ 567	---
February	209,277	210,162	---	415,002	416,454	+ 1,452	---
March	287,863	271,007	- 6	702,865	687,461	-15,404	- 2
April	304,965	309,837	+ 2	1,007,830	997,298	-10,532	- 1
May	293,569			1,301,399			
June	231,396			1,532,795			
July	210,139			1,742,934			
August	195,279			1,938,213			
September	182,568			2,120,781			
October	193,504			2,314,285			
November	192,520			2,506,805			
December	192,444			2,699,249			

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Chicken eggs in incubators May 1, 1963

Geographic divisions	Percent change from May 1, 1962		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
New England	+ 3	+ 3	+ 3
Middle Atlantic	- 12	- 6	- 8
East North Central	- 16	+ 5	- 2
West North Central	+ 8	- 4	- 2
South Atlantic	+ 6	+ 11	+ 7
East South Central	+ 17	+ 45	+ 19
West South Central	+ 10	+ 24	+ 12
Mountain	- 1	+ 4	+ 2
Pacific	- 1	- 12	- 6
48 States	+ 7	+ 1	+ 6
United States <u>1/</u>	+ 7	+ 1	+ 6

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic divisions	White		Other		Total		Light	
	heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		breeds 1/	
	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963
	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Poults hatched during April								
New England	130	142	23	8	153	150	4	2
Middle Atlantic	92	73	221	205	313	278	22	5
East North Central	1,072	1,374	1,383	1,302	2,455	2,676	142	117
West North Central	2,206	2,121	5,066	4,775	7,272	6,896	278	311
South Atlantic	441	616	597	663	1,038	1,279	343	370
South Central	455	543	2,107	1,974	2,562	2,517	43	79
West	933	878	4,729	4,559	5,662	5,437	93	28
United States	5,329	5,747	14,126	13,486	19,455	19,233	925	912
Turkey eggs in incubators May 1								
New England	438	358	38	21	476	379	15	2
Middle Atlantic	384	210	597	580	981	790	65	48
East North Central	2,426	2,711	2,567	2,306	4,993	5,017	423	321
West North Central	4,050	3,778	7,936	7,640	11,986	11,418	627	592
South Atlantic	1,059	1,164	1,372	1,335	2,431	2,499	855	978
South Central	691	810	3,372	2,741	4,063	3,551	99	131
West	1,599	1,532	7,412	7,208	9,011	8,740	129	84
United States	10,647	10,563	23,294	21,831	33,941	32,394	2,213	2,156

See footnote page 8.

Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1962	1963	Change from:	1962	1963	Change from	
			last year			last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
Heavy white breeds 1/							
January	2,012	1,508	- 25	2,012	1,508	- 504	- 25
February	2,091	2,594	+ 24	4,103	4,102	- 1	--
March	4,109	4,978	+ 21	8,212	9,080	+ 868	+ 11
April	5,329	5,747	+ 8	13,541	14,827	+1,286	+ 9
May	6,324			19,865			
June	4,721			24,586			
July	2,874			27,460			
August	1,547			29,007			
September	968			29,975			
October	882			30,857			
November	864			31,721			
December	1,046			32,767			
Other heavy breeds 1/							
January	1,169	1,210	+ 4	1,169	1,210	+ 41	+ 4
February	3,491	4,402	+ 26	4,660	5,612	+ 952	+ 20
March	9,957	10,867	+ 9	14,617	16,479	+1,862	+ 13
April	14,126	13,486	- 5	28,743	29,965	+1,222	+ 4
May	14,455			43,198			
June	8,995			52,193			
July	3,143			55,336			
August	353			55,689			
September	110			55,799			
October	136			55,935			
November	168			56,103			
December	406			56,509			
Total all heavy breeds 1/							
January	3,181	2,718	- 15	3,181	2,718	- 463	- 15
February	5,582	6,996	+ 25	8,763	9,714	+ 951	+ 11
March	14,066	15,845	+ 13	22,829	25,559	+2,730	+ 12
April	19,455	19,233	- 1	42,284	44,792	+2,508	+ 6
May	20,779			63,063			
June	13,716			76,779			
July	6,017			82,796			
August	1,900			84,696			
September	1,078			85,774			
October	1,018			86,792			
November	1,032			87,824			
December	1,452			89,276			

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Month	By month			Cumulative			
	1962	1963	Change from: last year	1962	1963	Change from last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
<u>Light breeds 1/</u>							
January	357	605	+ 69	357	605	+ 248	+ 69
February	524	645	+ 23	881	1,250	+ 369	+ 42
March	745	744	--	1,626	1,994	+ 368	+ 23
April	925	912	- 1	2,551	2,906	+ 355	+ 14
May	1,495			4,046			
June	1,582			5,628			
July	1,505			7,133			
August	1,055			8,188			
September	437			8,625			
October	362			8,987			
November	295			9,282			
December	496			9,778			
Total all breeds 1/							
January	3,538	3,323	- 6	3,538	3,323	- 215	- 6
February	6,106	7,641	+ 25	9,644	10,964	+1,320	+ 14
March	14,811	16,589	+ 12	24,455	27,553	+3,098	+ 13
April	20,380	20,145	- 1	44,835	47,698	+2,863	+ 6
May	22,274			67,109			
June	15,298			82,407			
July	7,522			89,929			
August	2,955			92,884			
September	1,515			94,399			
October	1,380			95,779			
November	1,327			97,106			
December	1,948			99,054			

1/ Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other". Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, Royal Palm and wild turkeys.